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1. (Confidential - GLC) Had a very useful meeting with Representative Gilbert Gude (R., Md.) on the personnel case in which he has expressed interest. The case involves the Agency's policy concerning the employment of persons with convulsive disorders. Mr. Gude seemed genuinely interested in our policy and gave the impression he thought it was a reasonable one for a sensitive organization such as ours. He did raise several questions, however, which I told him I would check on.

2. (Secret - JGO) Accompanied Mr. [] DDS&T, to a meeting with Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, concerning R&D planning coordination and programs. This was a followon to Mr. Preston's visit to Headquarters on 5 May 1972. It is hoped that Mr. Preston will be able to visit Headquarters later on for a detailed briefing on selected R&D programs. There are no other followups from this meeting.

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3. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Mr. Drury Blair, Senate Immigration and Naturalization Subcommittee staff, who told me that due to the primaries in the Chairman's home state he did not believe that any further meetings of the Subcommittee will be held until mid June. []

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4. (Secret - JGO) Met with Mr. William Hogan, House Armed Services Intelligence Subcommittee staff, and received from him copy #2 of 3 of the hearings of Tuesday, 9 May 1972, with the request that the transcript be declassified for public printing. I explained to Mr. Hogan some of the difficulties that would be involved in complying with the request and inquired whether this was a firm final determination. It was his suggestion that if the request creates substantial problems, that they be related to Mr. Slatinshek, Chief Counsel of the Committee, rather than back through him to expedite a final determination. I thanked Mr. Hogan and told him I would relay the request.

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6. (Secret - JMM) Mr. Chris Sylvester, in the office of Senator Milton Young, called to say the Senator wondered if we could confirm reports he had heard that a number of French prisoners were still being held by the North Vietnamese. After consulting George Carver, SAVA, I called Sylvester back to say while the picture was still extremely murky, there were several thousand French soldiers still unaccounted for from the fighting in the 1950's and it appeared likely that at least some of them might still be held in detention in one way or another.

7. (Unclassified - JMM) Charles Ablard, General Counsel USIA, called to say that he and Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations Marshall Wright, would like us to join them in a meeting with Jim Jordan, Legislative Assistant to Senator Howard Baker, to discuss amendments to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act (S. 3256) tomorrow morning at 9:15. Later the Senator's office called to say they would have to cancel the meeting and reschedule it.

8. (Unclassified - JMM) Dave Brunell, Administrative Assistant to Representative Donald Riegle (R., Mich.), called to say he had a luncheon date with Gregory Raporta (phonetic) of the Soviet Embassy and wished us to be advised. I told him we had no jurisdiction over such matters and recommended he notify the FBI. 25X1

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10. (Unclassified - LLM) Carol Chance, in the office of Representative Donald Fraser (D., Minn.), called and said the Congressman was very interested in seeing the Agency's China Atlas this week, and in response to our reply that our supply was depleted, she asked if she might borrow a copy and pay us back when the GPO publication is available. I called Al Westphal, Staff Consultant, House Foreign Affairs Committee, and in his absence spoke with Roy Bullock, Staff Administrator, explaining the situation. He said they would be happy to maintain a Committee copy of the Atlas for use of Committee members such as Fraser.

11. (Confidential - JMM) Called Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, to say that I had just understood from Joe O'Neill that the Nedzi Subcommittee planned to make public a sanitized version of the testimony of Mr. Houston and me on security and classification on 9 May. I said that any publication would be contrary to our understanding and would set an unfortunate precedent, since we had a well established policy in both the House and the Senate that we would not testify for publication regardless of the subject matter. Slatinshek explained that discussion of possible publication had overlooked these points and said that we "shouldn't worry," since he was sure he could take care of the situation. He said that, at the most, they would probably only note in the record that Mr. Houston and I had appeared but would publish nothing about the content of our testimony.

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